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Letter dated 23 April 1996 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On behalf of the European Union I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a declaration of the Presidency of the European Union on the latest Israeli bombing in southern Lebanon.

I would be grateful if you could have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 44, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) F. Paolo FULCI

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ANNEX

[Original: English and French]

Declaration by the Presidency on behalf of the European Union on the latest Israeli bombings in southern Lebanon

The news of so many dead and wounded Lebanese refugees and of the 120 wounded in the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) camp has been received by the European Union with shock and profound consternation. The European Union believes that this escalation of senseless violence which is felling so many innocent lives must be absolutely stopped and renews its appeal to all parties concerned to cease immediately all military activities in the area.

Rome, 18 April 1996.